



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of

Didier RAOULT et al.

Group Art Unit: 1645

Application No.: 09/936,921

Examiner: P. Baskar

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For: DIAGNOSIS OF WHIPPLE'S DISEASE

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired October 28, 2004, an extension of time for a period of 1 month is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 160421 in the amount of \$110.00 in payment for:

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